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BIRTHS.

On the 13th December, the wife of Dr. PAUL
T. CARLSSON, Bangkok, of a son.On the 20th December, at Woodlands, Kranji,
the wife of E. DIGBY WILLOUGHBY, Assistant
Engineer, Singapore Railway, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 29th December, at the Union Church
Hongkong, by the Rev. H. HICKLING, SAMUEL
FARRELL (ex-Sangkong), to JANE JANET ATKEN,
youngest daughter of the late JOHN ATKEN, of
Greenock.

[3483]

The number of visitors to the City Hall
Library and Museum during the week ending
2nd inst. was 167 non-Chinese and 62 Chinese
to the former and 36 non-Chinese and 2,370
Chinese to the latter institution.Detected by the inmates whilst he was at-
tempting to perpetrate a burglary in a Chinese
dwelling house in Queen's Road West, and
anxious to avoid arrest, a Chinaman jumped
over the verandah to the street and was killed
by the fall.The annual meeting of the Hongkong Church
Missionary Association will be held in St. Paul's
College on Friday, January 2nd, at 4.30 p.m.
The Rev. E. J. Barnett will give an address
on "Missionary Work Amongst the Chinese in
Australia," and the Rev. J. Dathan, B.N., will
speak on "Missionary Work in Japan." The
chair will be taken by Sir W. Meigh Goodman,
K.C., Chief Justice.

HONGKONG, 30th December, 1902.

AN interesting paper was read before the
Royal Geographical Society in London last
month by Captain C. H. D. RYDER, R.E.,
on the subject of his explorations with an
expedition sent by the Yunnan Company,
with supervision by the Indian Government;
in 1893 and, after a short interval, in 1899
into the province of Yunnan. Not only did
this expedition survey completely the more
important part of this province, but in 1900
it proceeded via Szechuan and Tibet to the
Yangtze, down which it travelled to
Shanghai, arriving there soon after the
middle of the year. Yunnan is a province
which has been much discussed, owing to
the varying estimates of its probable worth
to European enterprise and to the burning
question of the possibilities of entering it by
railway from Burma. Captain RYDER has
no doubt as to the province's great future.
Close both to British and to French
possessions, it abounds in minerals, has a
fine climate (in contrast to low-lying and
feverish Tonkin and Burma), is entered by
the magnificent rivers Yangtze, Mekong,
and Salween, and by tributaries of the
Irrawaddy, and has every variety of eleva-
tion above the sea-level, all the cultivated
plains being from 5,000 to 8,000 feet above
this, while the three large rivers in the
north-western corner of the province flow ata height of 7,000 feet. On the main plateau
of Yunnan, between the Yangtze, West,
and Red Rivers, are the greater number of
the seventy to eighty cities of the province,
but Yunnan is full of plateaus, all in-
habited by the Chinese, the Shans and
Lolas having been driven into the hills and
valleys. Yunnan suffered terribly from the
effects of the Mohammedan rebellion some
thirty years ago, and the ruins of towns
still remain to mark the devastation of that
time; but the province is recovering now
and will not, according to Captain RYDER,
be hindhand in the coming expansion of
the Chinese Empire. Could only rapid
means of intercommunication be provided
a large trade would soon arise between
Burma and Yunnan in food-stuffs alone,
Burma sending its rice in exchange for
Yunnan's crops which flourish in a colder
climate such as that province has. But
at the present time, such trade has little
chance. If a railway is impossible, we
gather, Burma cannot compete seriously for
the trade of Yunnan.The veteran missionary, Sinologue and scholar,
the Rev. Dr. Joseph EDKIN, has completed the
78th year of his age. Dr. EDKIN has been
upwards of 53 years in China.

The Indian Medical Gazette reports that

dengue fever, which has been prevalent in
Burma and the Gazette might have added, in
the Far East generally) has reached Calcutta
and Madras.Interviewed in Calcutta, Mr. John BARRETT
and President Roosevelt had offered him the
appointment of Minister Plenipotentiary to
Japan, and that he had never expressed any
opinion on the subject of excluding Japanese from
America.From private advices received in Singapore,
it appears that in November last the orders that
the 1st Battalion Manchester Regiment were
to leave South Africa for Singapore had been
countermanded, and that they were not expected
to leave for another twelve months.The police at Shanghai have been very busy
of late destroying all dogs at large without a
muzzle. It is astonishing to learn that in less
than three days, in the Hongkow district alone,
no less than 121 dogs were shot—all Chinese
"works." The biggest individual bag was 21.At the meeting of the British Association
at Belfast in September last Captain RYDER
read a paper on Yunnan, much of which was
substantially the same as that read to the
Royal Geographical Society at the end of
November. From the former paper, how-
ever, it appeared that the Yunnan Company
had concluded that it was necessary to
abandon any idea of a Burma-Yunnan
railway, owing to the mountainous nature
of the country and the poor prospects of
traffic. Judging from Captain RYDER's
more recent paper, we should not be inclined
to dismiss the idea as entirely hopeless.
He speaks of one possible through line only
from Burma into China; but if there is one
line only, and that is feasible, it is evident
that hope need not be abandoned yet of a
British line entering Yunnan. The route
referred to is from the Kunlong Ferry, up
the Nam Ting Valley, and via Tali-fu to
Yunnan-fu. Captain RYDER says that in
the matter of Burma-China railway com-
munication a great deal of hopeless ignorance
of the country is displayed in the various
proposals put forward. The Yunnan
Company's expedition was, we take it, sent
out to help to dispel this ignorance; but we
must confess to feeling uncertain still
whether the case has been finally settled
against the possibility of the railway. After
Lord CURZON's speech to the Rangoon Chamber
of Commerce a year ago, we were con-
vinced that no Government help to any such
scheme could be expected. After the paper
read before the British Association at
Belfast, we imagined that the most exhaust-
ive surveying had proved the feasibility
of the line out of the question. But the
remarks addressed to the Royal Geographical
Society by the author of the paper read to
the British Association still leaves us in doubt.Lieutenant Hino, who returned to Tokyo
recently from North China, has made public
his invention of an automatic revolver. The
officer, who is an expert in English, German,
and French, has been in Peking since last year.
His new weapon is a repeater carrying ten
bullets. Each empty bullet is discharged and a
new bullet is loaded by the reaction of the
discharge. There is scarcely any recoil to the
weapon, the weakest person being able to fire it.
The range of the weapon is 1,000 metres and it is
capable of firing 80 rounds per minute. The
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Calcutta, from Mr. Allan HAMILTON, Mr.
Brough's manager, relating to the forthcoming
visit to Singapore of the Brough Company:—"I am writing the Town Clerk by this mail,
asking for the Town Hall to be reserved for
Monday, February 9th, on which date we shall
pass through Singapore en route to Hongkong.
We shall play are you a Mason? the latest London farcical comedy,
on the night of February 9th. As you have no
doubt read, it is the merriest farce we have had
for many a day, and infinitely more amusing
than *The Private Secretary* and *Charley's Aunt*. We have been playing the farce here to the
heaviest receipts in our experience of Calcutta."Count Alexander Constantinovitch Benckendorff,
the new Russian Ambassador to the
Court of St. James's, was born in St. Petersburg in 1849. He entered one of the departments of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs at the age of 19. In 1871 he was appointed
Secretary to the Russian Embassy in Bohemia, where he remained till 1878, when he was given a post in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. After being made Court Master of Ceremonies in 1883, he was three years later appointed First Secretary to the Imperial Embassy in Vienna, where he afterwards occupied the post of Councillor till his nomination in 1897 as Russian Minister Plenipotentiary to the Danish Court. Two years later he was raised to the dignity of Court Marshal. His appointment as Ambassador to Great Britain was practically decided upon two years ago.Among the sayings attributed to the late Mr.
Commissioner Kerr, for 42 years Judge of the
City of London Court, who died last month, are
the following:—"Always put your bargains into
writing. Pens are cheap, ink is cheap, and paper
is cheap. People contradict each other so much
that by every commercial transaction
will have to be reduced to writing. When you
go to buy a coat even, you will have to take an
order for it in writing to prevent a contradiction
arising." "The moment that you, a foreigner,
land at Dover, you are supposed to know the
whole law of England—which nobody I know
ever knew." "King David said in his baste,
'All men are liars.' If he had been sitting there
for 40 years as I have done he would have said
it in his leisure." "If you have a good case
you are safe with a Judge. If you have a bad
case you always have a chance with a jury."The Miners' Association discussed the Curren-
cy Question at a meeting at Kuala Lumpur,
and passed a resolution in favor of holding on
to a silver basis. The Miners held that a low
dollar suited them, and that they would never
be able to get their coolies to consent to or
understand the proposed change. The United
Planters' Association have held a meeting at
Kuala Lumpur at which it was decided by eight
votes to one that the fixing of the local currency
on a gold basis would be beneficial to the planting
community. The resolution further declared
that the conversion should take place on the
basis of the sovereign with decimal subsidiary
coinage.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 27th December.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AT DURBAN.

Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at a luncheon at
Durban, said that the British flag was, and must
continue to be, paramount in South Africa. Reconciliation
with our late enemies should be easy, and he saw no cause for despair. He came
in a spirit of conciliation, but also in a spirit of
firmness. Federation was our great aim, but it
would be a great mistake to hasten it prematurely.
He mentioned that the Government had accepted
the offer of a Boer contingent for service in
Somaliland.

MAIL NEWS.

The German mail of the 26th ult. was
delivered in London on the 27th inst.The P. & O. s.s. *Cleopatra*, with the English
mails of the 5th ult., left Singapore on Monday,
at noon, and is due here on Sunday, at about 10
a.m. Replies may be expected to correspondence
despatched hence on the 3rd November.

NEW YEAR ENTERTAINMENT.

Zamoni, the well-known conjurer, ventrilo-
quist, musician and mimic, will give a perform-
ance on Thursday evening in S. Patrick's
Club Hall, owing to the City Hall not being
available. Zamoni is at present on tour through
China, Japan and India, and has been very
favourably received wherever he has appeared.
His seasonable entertainment will doubtless be
largely patronised. A special and original
feature of the show is his conjuring feats with
cards, coins, and billiard-balls. The entertain-
ment commences at 9 o'clock.

THE HEALTH OF HONGKONG.

A belated Sanitary Board return reached us
yesterday morning, reporting that during the
day ending at noon on Saturday a Chinese
had died of plague at 18, Wing Sing Street.
Since then a further case has been reported,
a Chinese being found dead in Stanley Street,
during the day ending at noon yesterday.The total number of cases of communicable
disease reported in the Colony last week were:
—Plague, 1 (Chinese), fatal; diphtheria, 1
(Chinese); enteric fever, 1 (European, imported
from Haiphong); small-pox, 1 (Chinese).

FRENCH STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

Captain G. Schlaikier of the German s.s.
Carl Diederichsen, which arrived here yesterday
from Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoibow, having
left the last-named port on the 27th inst.,
reports on Sunday morning, the 28th, he
sighted the French s.s. *Quang Nam*, from
Saigon, flying signals of distress and laying at
anchor in Shito Bay, St. John's. The *Carl
Diederichsen* steered for the distressed vessel
and found that she was short of coal; she took
one bag of mail matter, 76 Chinese passengers
and 1 Japanese off the *Quang Nam* and
proceeded to Hongkong.U.S. CITIZEN IN TROUBLE IN
JAPAN.On the 17th inst. in the Osaka Appeal Court,
judgment was delivered in the appeal made by
Charles CLIFFORD, an American citizen, against
the decision of the Kobe Chito Saibansho; by
which he was sentenced on 21st August last to
imprisonment for a term of four months with
hard labour, a fine of 5 yen, and to be placed under
police supervision for six months. The offences
put against him (say the *Kobe Chronicle*) were
that of defrauding the Oriental Hotel
Company of 41.50 yen, and of fraudulently
obtaining a suit of clothes from Tong Cheong,
a Chinese tailor, Kobe, and silk-embroidered
wall hangings and other pictures from Togoyey-
wa, Kobe, silk store. The decision of the
Kobe Court was quashed by the Appeal Court,
a technical mistake having been made in the
reasons given. The prisoner, however, was
sentenced to imprisonment for the same term
with labour, fined the same amount, and con-
demned to police surveillance for the same
period as ordered by the Kobe Court.THE STRAITS AND THE CURRENCY
QUESTION.A meeting of the Penang Chamber of Com-
merce, at which a resolution was passed in favor
of a gold standard, was held on the 16th inst.,
with Mr. Robert YEATS in the chair. Some of
the speakers wanted the Chamber to mention
a conversion rate. The Chairman in dissenting
said that the time for discussing the exchange
rate would be when the report of the Currency
Commission came before the Legislative Council.
The balance of opinion expressed leaned to a
2/- dollar. Another strong point made was that
the change to gold should be made now before
disaster arises from the dollar dropping to
1/6 or 1/4.The Miners' Association discussed the Curren-
cy Question at a meeting at Kuala Lumpur,
and passed a resolution in favor of holding on
to a silver basis. The Miners held that a low
dollar suited them, and that they would never
be able to get their coolies to consent to or
understand the proposed change. The United
Planters' Association have held a meeting at
Kuala Lumpur at which it was decided by eight
votes to one that the fixing of the local currency
on a gold basis would be beneficial to the planting
community. The resolution further declared
that the conversion should take place on the
basis of the sovereign with decimal subsidiary
coinage.

FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. v. "OLD CROOKS."

Yesterday afternoon the H.K.F.C. played a
team of "Old Crooks" at the Happy Valley.
A heavy rain fell during the game. There
were only a few spectators, and some of these
were ladies, who attended doubtless to see the
"Old Crooks" disport themselves. The "Old
Crooks" team should have been as follows:—
D. Wood, goal; H. Pinckney and Lieut.
Rooker, R.N., backs; W. H. Howard, H. W.
Looker and A. Brooks-Smith, halves; A. R.
Lowe, Dr. Atkinson, H. Hancock, J. D.
Danby, and Comr. Kiddie, R.N., forwards.
Lieut. Donkin and Comr. Kiddie did not turn
up. The Rev. E. H. Good, R.N., took the latter's
place. The Club team also was short. As
arranged it should have been: Holmes, goal;
Barres and Bonnar, backs; Macdonald, Kew
and Caulfield, halves; Lemarchand, Libeaud,
Cooper, Cooke, and Ker, forwards. Kew did
not put in an appearance, and the Club played
without a goal-keeper.Mr. Lane, H.M.S. *Glory*, was referee.From the kick-off the first dangerous looking
attack came from the "Crooks." Hancock got
away down the centre towards the tenanted
Club goal and passed across the wing to Lowe,
but the latter, missing his footing on the slippery
pitch, fell and the ball was cleared. Soon afterwards
the play was transferred to the other end, and as the result of some
scrapping work in front of goal Wood was
beaten by a swift shot from the Club centre.
Cooper had another try for goal before long
but was defeated in his purpose by the watchfulness
of Looker, who at half-back was playing
in the men taking up the choppers in a manner
that did credit to British songs. Mrs. Milton
kindly distributed the prizes won at the sports
in the afternoon. On entering the room each
man had received a mysterious numbered card
about which there was considerable conjecture
during the evening. The solution however was
at hand, when the little Captain of the Brig
(Miss Lily Thompson) stepped on deck and
proceeded to the discharge of the cargo. It was
found that the hold of the ship contained some
250 small parcels, and sitting down on the hatch
combing the "Captain" quickly proceeded to
find consignees for the various packages. Each
parcel was marked to correspond with the bills
of lading in the hands of the men present. It
was found that warm hearts had been busy for
weeks getting this cargo ready for shipment
and not a man left the room without carrying
off some portion thereof. All had enjoyed
themselves to the full, and many were the
expressions of gratitude to the ladies and other
friends who had enabled them to spend such a
pleasant Christmas.The annual meeting will be held on Tuesday
evening, 30th inst., at the Institute, Kowloon.
The choir (assisted by some

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W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS,

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [3478]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1902. [3435]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1902. [3483]

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(Particulars from Catalogues).

TERMS.—As Customary.

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1902. [3436]

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [3474]

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DAVID W. O'D.

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1902. [3487]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1902. [3479]

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KRUGER'S MEMOIRS.

Two books of great interest might be written around Paul Kruger. One would be a character sketch of the man and a picture of the scenes in which he has moved. These have been many and varied, for, as Dr. Theal somewhere remarks, in every important event in the history of the Boers for more than sixty years this determined, courageous, and highly intelligent, though illiterate, man has played a prominent part. At an age when an English boy is playing cricket or learning grammar, Paul Kruger was shooting lions or Kaffirs. The character of the man himself is built on the massive lines of the wild country in which he was brought up. His adventures, his language, his conceptions, belong to an age earlier and more untouched than ours. Let us quote an illustration or two from the book before us. Mr. Kruger, as is well known, has lost his left thumb. He is telling the story of how it happened; his rifle exploded when he was out after rhinoceroses.

"Next day our people, guided by the track of my horse, went to the spot and there they found the rhinoceros still alive, and, following the trail of blood, discovered the remains of the rifle and my thumb. My hand was in a horrible state. The great veins were torn asunder. The flesh was hanging in strips. I bled like a slaughtered calf."

Mr. Kruger made his way to the wagons, where his wife and sister-in-law were sitting by the fire. The sister-in-law pointed to his hand. "Look what fat game brother Paul has been shooting," she said, and that was all. They went home. Mr. Kruger took out his knife and cut across the ball of the thumb, removing as much as was necessary. "Then they killed a goat, took out the stomach and cut it open. I put my hand into it while it was still warm," and thus was the wound healed. It might be a scene from Homer. In one of the innumerable feuds between rival sections of the Boers, the question of amnesty arose. The terms of settlement authorised each side to "punish" its rebels. The anti-Kruger party proceeded to set up the gallows. Paul Kruger protested. The other side insisted. A deadlock was imminent. Then I fetched a Bible and showed him that Holy Writ distinguished between punishing and chastising. We may chastise a man with the prospect of death, but we may not kill him in order to punish him." And then all were convinced and there was peace in the land. Another scene, surely, from an older world.

But Paul Kruger was born too late. Nature had intended him for a ruler of rough men in a pastoral state of semi-civilisation. Fate threw him into the soothng whirlpool of an intensely modern community of cosmopolitan gold-seekers. That is the tragedy of his career. Joubert was well inspired in the answer he gave when a burgher came gleefully to tell him that a gold field had been discovered. "Rejoice not," said the Commandant General, "but rather weep; for this gold will cause our country to be soaked in blood." What a theme, then, would Paul Kruger and his times—the Homeric or Old Testament hero, called upon to deal with a new industrial dispensation—afford to a man of insight and imagination enough to seize its mingled comedy and tragedy, and with genius to give it the large and picturesque setting it requires! If there be Carlyle among us, as yet mute and inglorious, seeking for a suitable canvas to paint upon, we command to him a study of Paul Kruger. Another book of great interest and importance might come to be written which should give from private letters and confidential dispatches the inner history of our own times in South Africa; the secret springs of Mr. Kruger's action, the factors, internal and external, which inspired his policy.

The volumes of Memoirs now published do not fall either of those possible books of the future. There is a certain amount that is characteristic and interesting—as may be gathered from the extracts already given—especially in the first volume. But the political memoirs are very tried. In the 200 pages devoted to the time of Mr. Kruger's tenure of the Presidency there are hardly 200 lines which might not have been written by anybody. And in fact it all has been written over and over again by Boer and pro-Boer pamphleteers. Hardly anything is told which is not public property; the special contribution of Mr. Kruger and his assistants consists in the work already undertaken by those others, of judicious omission and partisan colouring. There are the usual extracts from despatches, and the second volume is padded out with 100 pages of speeches; some of these, however, are of interest. There is more of Kruger in them, it seems to us, than in the political part of the memoirs, and here we may call attention to a change made in this portion of the political pages.

"A lion had attacked our hards and robbed us of several heads of cattle that were grazing by the banks of the Rhenoster River, in what has since become the Orange Free State. Six of us started (I was the seventh, but did not count) to find that lion." says Mr. Fisher Unwin. "I applied for leave to do it." We cannot agree with Mr. Unwin. It is his insertion of the first person that seems to us to give a note of artificiality to the later portion of *The Memoirs of Paul Kruger*. The Memoirs come to us, it should be noted, at third (or fourth) hand. Mr. Kruger dictated them to Mr. Brodell and Mr. Grobler who handed over their notes to Dr. Schowalter, who edited them for publication. In the earlier part of the narrative, we seem to hear Mr. Kruger in his own person; in the later, he is lost too much in his editors. Mr. Kruger is a racy writer, and never more so than when talking politics. The point of view is his, the anomalies are his, but we find it difficult to trace, in so typical a résumé of current versions (or perversions) of well-known affairs, very much of his own voice.

The real Kruger breaks out, however, here and there. In diatribes, for instance, against Cetshwana Rhodes. These, indeed, are old stiff monosyllabic outbursts new to us being the note of Piet Grobler, the emissary sent by Mr. Kruger to make a treaty with Lobengula. At ever turn Rhodes and Kruger were the antagonists. In the heat of his defeat, Mr. Kruger may have excused his bitterness; but one would like to be better, now that Rhodes is gone, if "Whitewash" so abounds over his dead rival. "What soevers he may have been the thoughts they dwelt on me," says Mr. Kruger, "when such sets of a so-called Christian nation? Such sets of a so-called Christian nation? What soevers he may have been the thoughts they dwelt on me," says Mr. Kruger, "when such sets of a so-called Christian nation?"

As I rode past my comrades he called out: "Don't dismount in front of the beast; she's awfully wild and can run like anything."

I did not pay much attention to the warning, knowing Themonien to be over-cautious, but jumped off my horse and ran obliquely past the rhinoceros. She had scarcely caught sight of me before she was in hot pursuit. I allowed her to come within a distance of three or four yards. When I fired the percussion-cup refused, and there was no time for a second shot. The animal was close upon me, and there was nothing to be done but to turn round and run for dear life. In attempting to do so, my foot struck against the rhinoceros' root and I came down flat on my face. The beast was upon me, the dangerous horn just missed my back, she pinned me to the ground with her snout, intending to trample me to death. But at that moment I turned under her and got the contents of the saddle-barrel full under the shoulder blade, right into her heart. I owed my life to nothing but letting go my hold of the gun during this dangerous adventure. The rhinoceros sprang away from me, but fell down dead a few yards away. My brother-in-law hurried up as fast as he could, for he thought I had been mortally wounded by my own gun in this deadly combat. When I saw, however, that I was standing up safe and sound, he took his sjambok, and, according to contract, commenced to flog me soundly, because I had, according to him, acted recklessly in disregarding his warning."

As political memoirs, Mr. Kruger's volumes are somewhat disappointing; as a kind of South African jungle-book, they are first-rate. Very interesting also are some of his stories of the shooting known as war. Majuba, it is clear, gave him a great contempt for the English. This contempt was the cause of much. As for British "magnanimity," about which politicians at home talked, it swam not into Mr. Kruger's ken. Of the recent war the old man has not much to say. The following account of his day's (and night's) work during war time is interesting:

"All looked to me for advice, hints, and consolation. Daily I sent off telegrams to all the commandants, encouraging, advising, and exhorting the burghers. These labours fully occupied the mornings from eight to twelve, and evenings from two to four or five. Not till then did I leave the government buildings. I went to bed at eight, only to get up again at eleven to go through the telegrams. I rose once more at two to inspect any despatches that had arrived in the meantime, and it was often four o'clock before I could seek my rest again."

Mr. Kruger describes how very near he was to being caught when he was en route from Bloemfontein to Poplar Grove to encourage the burghers there. He had only just time to turn back; the shells were flying all around me, and one fell just behind the cart in which I was seated." The tenor of Mr. Kruger's encouragement may be gathered from the Circular Despatch issued June 20, 1900, which is printed in the appendix. "It is not our God the same God who led Israel under the power of His miracles out of the land of Pharaoh."

Pay attention to the reports of our commission from Europe. Salisbury and Chamberlain stand convicted by their own words. They shall not exist. But the Lord says: "These My people shall endure, and Christ is my Commander-in-Chief." And now that the war is over, it is the same Paul Kruger. Still before, with hatred of England in his heart and the word of God in his mouth, he breathes forth confidence and encouragement. He sees in the ruin which has been brought upon his country not in any degree the consequences of his own mistaken policy, but only the inscrutable ordering of Providence, which shall yet one day be overruled. "For I am convinced," he says—and these are the last words of his Memoirs—"that God does not forsake His people, even though it may often appear so." Therefore I resign myself to the will of the Lord. I know that He will not allow the afflicted people to perish. He is the Lord and all hearts are in His hand and He turneth them whithersoever He will."

Mr. Kruger has a striking—*as who has not?* "All the other so-called Reformers," he says, "were ideal revolutionaries. The only one who understood his business was Colenso Rhodes." Mr. Kruger speaks as an expert, for he was, in his time, a revolutionary and a raider. The story of the Potch-Istroen Rebellion of 1856-7 has often been told; but the reader will find only a very meagre and unenlightening account of it in these. Memoirs of one of the leading "so-called reformers" on that occasion.

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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
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4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

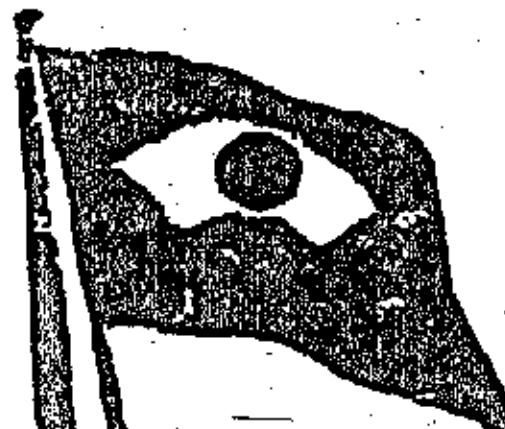
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LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	VALETTA	Brit. str.	—	W. B. Palmer, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd January, at Noon.
LONDON	GLENLOCHY	Brit. str.	—	E. J. Stalwart	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.	On 5th January.
LONDON	PELEUS	Brit. str.	—	H. S. Bradshaw	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th January.
LONDON	BOMBAY	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Thompson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 7th January, at Noon.
LONDON	ANTEROV	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th January.
LONDON	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th January.
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th January.
LONDON	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th January.
LONDON	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th January.
LIVERPOOL (DIRECT)	OOPACK	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th January.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP V. SPORE & C.	PYRHUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th January.
MARSELLES, ANTWERP & AMSTERDAM	KONIG ALBERT	Ger. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 15th January.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 16th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SILESIA	Ger. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 17th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WURZBURG	Ger. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 18th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 19th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	STRASBURG	Ger. str.	—		GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 20th January.
GENOA & HAMBURG	BENLOMONT	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
GENOA & LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On or about 28th inst.
CROYDON	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	Brit. str.	—			To-morrow.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	VICTORIA	Brit. str.	2 m.			On 14th January, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SANTA ROSA IS. (MEXICO)	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	—			To-day.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—			TODAY, at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TRIMONT	Brit. str.	—			On 13th January, at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 24th January.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 14th January.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	PAKING	Brit. str.	2 m.			On 1st January.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRETELLI	Brit. str.	—			On 9th Jan., at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 20th January.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—			Te-morrow, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	—			On 13th January, at Noon.
KOBE	YAMAGUCHI MARU	Brit. str.	—			To-morrow.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PEKIN	Brit. str.	—			On 1st January.
NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOCK	SANUKI MARU	Brit. str.	—			On 2nd Jan., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SAVIA	Brit. str.	—			On 13th Jan., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOJIMA	HAKATA MARU	Brit. str.	—			On 23rd January, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KASUGA MARU	Brit. str.	—			To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	LYEMON	Brit. str.	—			About 3rd January.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KANSU	Brit. str.	—			On 6th January.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—			To-day.
TAMSUL, VIA SWATOW & AMoy	CALEDONIEN	Brit. str.	—			On 4th January.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMoy	ROHILLA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.			To-morrow.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW & AMoy	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.			On 7th January.
SWATOW, AMoy & FOOCHOW	MAIDUOU MARU	Jap. str.	2 h.			To-day, at 9 A.M.
MANILA	HALLOONG	Brit. str.	2 m.			On 1st Jan., at Daylight.
MANILA	THALIS	Brit. str.	—			To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	ROHILLA MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 1st January, at 4 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	KUMANO MARU	Brit. str.	—			On 2nd January, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	RUBLI	Brit. str.	—			On 7th January, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—			To-day, at 3 P.M.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	CATHERINE APCAR	Brit. str.	—			On 7th January, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	NAMANGA	Brit. str.	—			On 2nd January, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	—			

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Dec. 28. CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 774. G. Schulte, Hamburg 25th Dec., Pakhoi 26th and Hojhow 27th, General JENSEN & CO.
Dec. 28. NAMANGA, British str., 2,591, G. Payne, Calcutta 13th Dec., Penang 18th and Singapore 22nd, General JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.
Dec. 29. BENLAWERS, British str., 1,484, H. W. Bee, London and Singapore 22nd Dec., General GLIM, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Dec. 29. CHINKANG, British str., from Canton.
Dec. 29. HSINGCHI, Chinese str., 1,135, Kolper, Shanghai 26th Dec., General CHINESE.
Dec. 29. MACKENZIE, German str., 906, H. Harro, Bangkok via Swatow 19th Dec., Rice and General NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
Dec. 29. RAINBOW, U.S. gunboat, Leander, Mandi 26th December.
Dec. 29. CHAKANO MARU, Japanese str., 2,054, Osaka, Moji 23rd December, Coal EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.

CLEARANCE.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
29th December.
Adria, British str., for Singapore.
Ella Newark, German str., for Chinkiang.
Eswar, British str., for Swatow.
Hawad, French str., for Haiphong.
Hojoan, French str., for Hoihow.
Haikuo, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
Kaiou, British str., for Ningpo.
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VIA
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VICTORIA	J. Pantin	3,502	January 3rd
OLYMPIA	J. Truebridge	2,837	January 17th
* PLEIADES	F. G. Purington	3,753	January 24th

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 1st April.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 22nd April.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 6th May.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PROMETHEUS"	On 8th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PYRRHUS"	On 14th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DIOMED"	On 28th January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"PELEUS"	On 6th January.
LONDON	"ANTENOR"	On 20th January.
LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 3rd February.
LONDON	"PROMETHEUS"	On 17th February.
GENOA and LIVERPOOL...	"TYDEUS"	On 26th January.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	"DARDANUS"	On 20th February.
(Taking Cargo at London Rates)	"PYRRHUS"	On 21st February.

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Hongkong 27th December, 1902.

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5,000 Tons, Captain E. W. Harwell, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 1st January, at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3410]

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Captain Casey, will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 28th instant.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [3337]

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Captain W. B. Palmer, R.N.D., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3373]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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Captain E. J. Stoddard, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th January, 1903.

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McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [3373]

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1902. [3443]

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [3383]

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [3451]

THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30TH, 1902.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Sanuki Maru, with the French Mail of the 3rd ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 1st prox. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 25th October.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton		Tuesday, 30th, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Tuesday, 30th, 8.00 A.M.
Kalgan		Tuesday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila		Tuesday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma		Tuesday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Tuesday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle		Tuesday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama		Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Honpuy		Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Wednesday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.

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Kobe

Swatow
Kobe
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne
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TO-DAY.
Meeting of the Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Ltd., 3 p.m.
Janet Walder Co., Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.
TO-MORROW.
Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
29th December.

ON PARIS.	Bank Bills, on demand	1.00
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.03	
ON GERMANY.	Bank Bills, on demand	1.62
ON NEW YORK.	Bank Bills, on demand	3.81
Credit, 60 days sight	3.92	
ON BOMBAY.	Telegraphic Transfer	118
Bank, on demand	118	
ON CALCUTTA.	Telegraphic Transfer	118
Bank, on demand	118	
ON SHANGHAI.	Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days sight	72	
ON YOKOHAMA.	On demand	30 p.c.p.u.
ON MANILA.	On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
ON SINGAPORE.	On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
ON BATAVIA.	On demand	93
ON HAIPHONG.	On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
ON SAIGON.	On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
ON BANGKOK.	On demand	65
FOREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate	12.54	
in 1 D. LEAF, 100 fine per tael	765.0	
B SILVER, per oz.	2.5	

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Malwa Older \$10.00 to \$10.00 " "
P. F. per wrapped —
Persian fine quality \$720 to —
Persian extra fine —
Patna New \$905 to — per catty.
Patna Old —
Bengares New \$885 to —
Bengares Old —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIRS.
The P.M. steamer China left Shanghai yesterday at 9 a.m.

The T.K.K. steamer Nippon Maru left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 19th inst.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer Caledonia left Singapore for this port on the 29th inst., at noon, and is due here on the 4th prox. at about 10 a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. steamer Kunman Maru (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 26th inst., and is expected here to-day.

The Barlow Line steamer Shima Maru, from York and Straits, left Manila for Hongkong on the 27th inst., and is expected here to-day.

The H.A.L. steamer Andria, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The N.Y.K. steamer Bouyan Maru (Bombay Line) left Shimonesaki for this port on the 28th inst., and is expected here on the 1st prox.

The N.Y.K. steamer Sanuki Maru (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst., and is expected here on the 1st prox.

The M.M. steamer Caledonia left Singapore on the 29th inst., at 5 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 29th December.

COMPANY.	Paid Up	Quotations.
Ranken & Hongkong & Shui.	\$125	16021, sales L'don A/C.
Natl. Bank of China	28	\$26, sellers
A. Shares	28	\$26, sellers
Four Shares	21	\$16, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A. Campbell, McCor & Co.	30	\$1, buyers
China-Borneo Co. Ltd.	15	\$20, ec'rs
China Light and Power Co. Ltd.	20	\$10, sales & buy.
China Prov. L. & M.	10	\$0.95, buyers
China Sugar	500	\$500, sellers
China Companies	500	\$30, sellers
Alannah, Ltd.	100	\$10, buyers
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co. Ltd.	500	\$10, buyers
Cotton Mills	100	Tls. 100, Tls. 40.
Evo. International	75	Tls. 40.
Laou Kung Mow	100	Tls. 41.
Saychee	500	Tls. 16.2.
Hongkong	500	\$174, sellers
Dairy Farm	50	\$11, sellers
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	25	\$50, seller
Green Island Cement	10	\$2.4, buyers
H. & C. Bakery	50	\$10, sellers
Hongkong & C. Gas	10	\$10, buyers
Hongkong Electric	100	\$13.0, ls. & buy.
H. H. L. Tramways	100	\$6.05, sales & sol.
Hk. Steam. Water	100	\$3.45, sales
Ice Co. Ltd.	7	\$3.05, buyers
Hongkong Hotel	25	\$1.41, sellers
Hongkong Ice	25	\$2.40, sellers
H. & W. Wharf & Co.	50	\$8.00, buyers
Hongkong Hope	50	\$12.00, buyers
H. & W. Dock	50	\$21.24, buyers
Imanpo	50	\$25, sellers
China Fire	20	\$84.00, sellers
China Traders	25	\$6.8, sales & sellers
Hongkong Fire	50	\$3.15, sellers
North China	22	Tls. 17.74.
Strait	20	\$1, nominal
Union	500	\$40.00, buyers
Yangtze	100	\$16.8, sales
Bank and Building	100	\$165, buyers
Hongkong Land Inv.	100	\$11, buyers
Hongkong Estate	100	\$1, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	100	\$12, buyers
West Point Building	100	\$12, buyers
Luzon Sugar	100	\$12, buyers
Mining	100	\$25, buyers
Chittagong	100	\$14, sellers
Colombo	100	\$12, buyers
Trincomalee	100	\$12, buyers
Da. Palauanco	100	\$10, sellers
New Army Dock	100	\$3.75, sellers
Riente Hotel, Manila	100	\$10, buyers
Powell, Ltd.	100	\$10, nominal
Johnstone & Co., Ltd.	100	\$10, nominal
Teamers	100	\$10, nominal
China and Manilla	100	\$25, sellers
Douglas Steamship	100	\$14, buyers
London & M.	100	\$15, buyers
Indo-China S. N.	100	\$16, buyers
South Transport and Trading Co.	100	\$17.6, sellers
Star Ferry	100	\$23, sales & buy.
Lebanon Planting Co.	100	\$13, sales & buy.
United Asbestos	100	\$10, nominal
Universal Trading	100	\$10, nominal
Watkins, Ltd.	100	\$12, buyers
Watson & Co., A. S.	100	\$14, sellers

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 29TH DECEMBER, 1902.

OUTWARD—14th Nov.—Breconshire, 25th.

Indrau, Claverdo, 28th—Caledonian.

Antwerp, 2nd Dec.—Amelia 5th—Telemachus, Glengalle, Wurzburg, St. Hugo, Leithian, Sanuki Maru, 9th—C. Ford, Læsø, Banca, Kaisan, Spitiava, 12th—Bengal, Promethia, Palauco, 16th—Ceylon, Braemar, H. Thordis, 19th—Hakata Maru, Darmstadt, Parhus, 23rd—Bencleuch, Salutie, Sitondio.

HOMEWARD—4th July—Queensland, 11th.

Sumatra, 16th—Aja, 26th Aug.—Sarpedon, 5th Sept.—Bombay, Hondeur, Indrau, 7th—Scutari, 31st Oct.—Glenfarg, 14th Nov.—Nippon, 28th—Glengarry, 12th.

Dug—Lewther Castle, Minelaws, 16th—Java, 19th—Ge-a, Malta, Noraz, 23rd—Deviation.

ARRIVALS AT HOME—1st Nov.—Ceylon, 4th—Seacea, 7th—Pyrrhus, Oceanus, Benader, 11th—Indramayo, P. R. Ludd, 14th—Ditton, Awa Maru, 18th—Bamberg, 21st—Glengarry, Heathburn, Preussen, Afridi, 25th—Kankura Maru, 26th—Candia, 2nd Dec.—Nestor, 5th—Ernest Stevens, Glenisch, Hamburg, Mackau, 9th—Afton, Banting, Freiburg, Inbau, 10th—Anom, Glengarry, Katsim, Konigberg, Achilles, 17th—Socotra, 19th—Siaria, J. B. Walker, Sachsen, Trieste, 23rd—Forfar, Hitachi Maru, Indrau.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

29th December.

STATION.

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